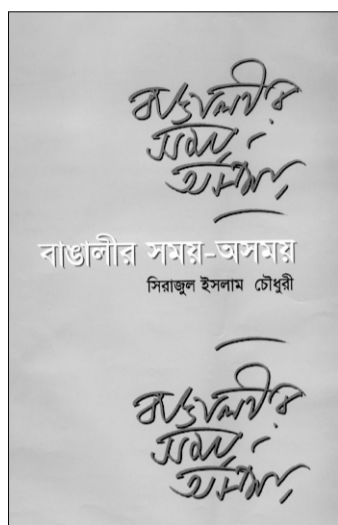
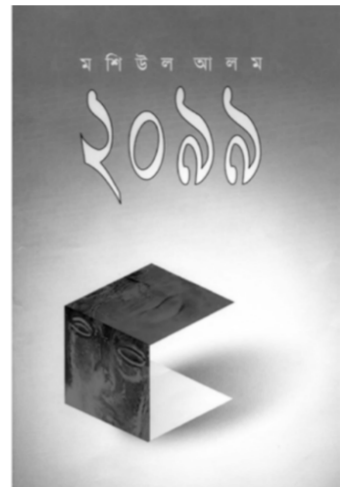
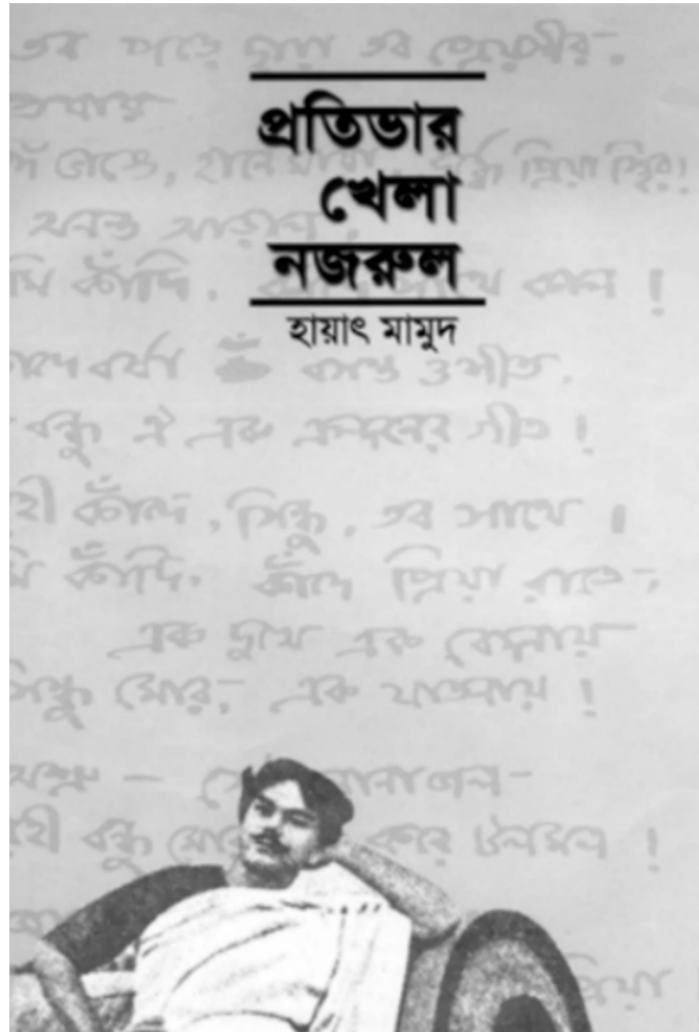
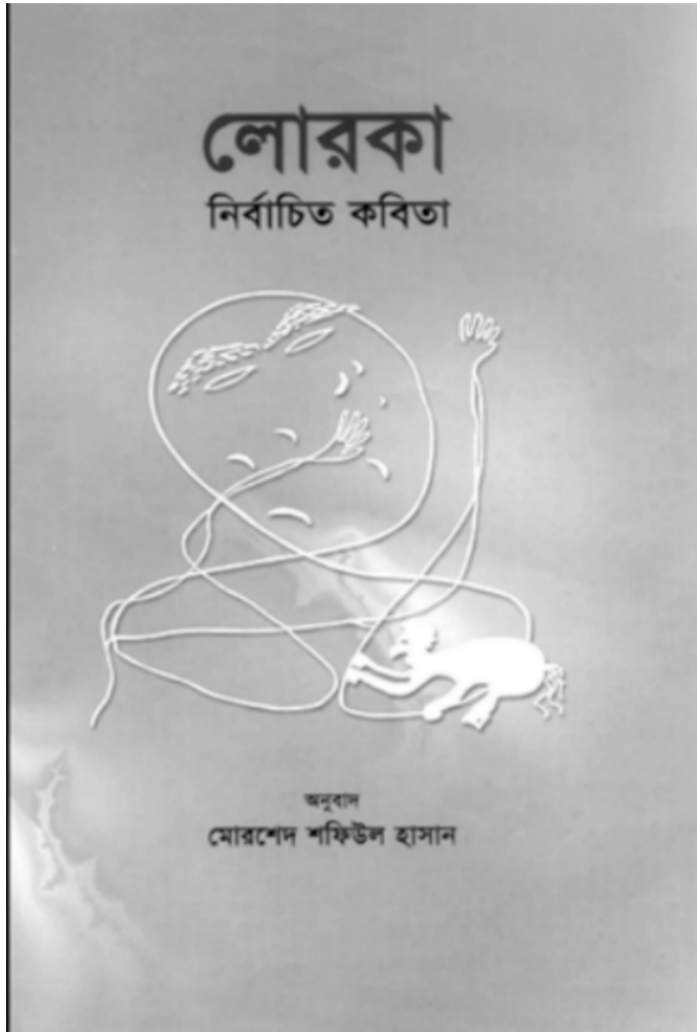


Fair

Valentine's Day at DU, more books at Ekushey Fair

Huge crowds visit Ekushey Book Fair at Bangla Academy as young people celebrate Valentine's day on the university campus.



MAHBUB ZAMAN

It was a day of hectic activity on the Dhaka University premises as the Ekushey Boi Mela drew a huge crowd on its 13th day yesterday.

Valentine's Day was also celebrated amidst huge enthusiasm and festive mood on the Dhaka University campus.

The Teachers and Students Centre (TSC) area, Institute of Fine Arts (IFA) and other roads of the university campus was jam-packed in the afternoon.

Like previous years youths could not gather on the campus in the morning due to the opposition called down to dusk hartal.

The Bishwa Bhalobasha Dibash Ujapan Parishad (BBDUP)

brought out a colourful procession on the campus in the afternoon to celebrate the day.

It also held a programme at the Shoparjita Shadinata premises on TSC road island and honoured five couples with a Couple of the Year title.

Noted journalist Abed Khan attended this programme as the chief guest.

mark the Valentine's Day and Bashanta Utshab.

Meanwhile, a total of 25 books arrived at the book fair yesterday.

The titles included Muktiyuddher Porer Juddho by Shamoli Nasrin Chowdhury, Shapna Mannush by Ruhul Amin, Aaj Barshabaron by Mohammad Hasan, Shrabone Fota Ghalap by Begum Shamsunnaher Haq Chowdhury, Koshito by Meghla Akhter, Lalon Songite Attwadarshan by Mohammad Entaj Uddin, Sobujdiner Lal Kabhya by Ikhtier Chowdhury, Rajar Kabila by Khokan

Kaiser and Panshalar Shei Sobuj Fereshta by Iqbal Aziz.

Bagh Bondi Misir Ali, a book of Humayun Ahmed and Muhammad Zafar Iqbal's book for children Buga Buga, which arrived on Tuesday, are selling well, fair sources said. Rajnitir Tin Kaal by Mijanur Rahman Chowdhury is one of the best selling books at the fair so far.

Othr titles which came out in the past few days include Lorka - Nirbachito Kabita - a Translation by Morshed Shafiuul Hasan, 2099 by Mashiul Alam, Golpe Golpe Dhadha

by Munir Hasan, Attarakkhar Pratibedon by Mohammad Rafiq and Protibhar Khela Nazrul by Hayat Mahmud.

The Bangla Academy yesterday held a discussion on "The Demand and Possibilities of 21st Century: The Short Story of Bangladesh and Interaction in World Literature" at the fair premises.

Ashim Shah presented the keynote paper on the topic. Ajhar Islam Bhuyian was in the chair while Habibullah Siraji took part in the discussion.

Theatre

Theatre Festival begins

Week long festival titled 'Roots & Blossoms' gets underway in the city

MUNEERA PARBEEN

IT'S a week of respite for theatre lovers as an International Theatre Festival and seminar titled "Roots & Blossoms" gets underway in the city.

The festival has been organised by Bangladesh centre of the International Theatre Institute in collaboration with Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy and Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation. Seven foreign Theatre groups from India, Nepal, Cyprus and Japan are scheduled to participate in the festival.

About seventy local groups are scheduled to take part in the programme as well.

The dramas will be staged at seven different venues around the city during the week event. The presentations of the Bangladesh theatre groups will be held at the Mahila Samity and Guide House and the children's theatres at the Public Library auditorium. The foreign theatre groups will perform at the National Museum while the university theatre groups at Natmandal.

The folk theatres will be held at the Mahanagar Natyamancha and the street theatres in front of the same venue.

In addition Twenty-five theatre personalities are expected to arrive for participation in the various seminars that will be held during the week long festival.

The Asia-Pacific Bureau of ITI will meet on February 16 while the Communication Committee and Cultural Identity and Development Committee will hold their meetings in the city on February 17.

RECOMMENDATIONS



Exhibition

A solo exhibition of paintings and drawings by Nazlee Laila Mansur has opened at the Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka. The exhibition will run till February 17 from 2 to 8p.m. daily.

Publication ceremony

A publication ceremony of the Bangla adaptation of Dr. Patricia Sonksen and Blanche Stiff's illustrated book on a programme for visual development for infants and children "Show Me What My Friends Can See" will be held on Thursday, February 15 at 12 noon at the Dhaka Shishu Hospital auditorium.

Film Show

Walt Disney Retrospective by Zahir Raihan Film Society.

Zahir Raihan Film Society will screen 6 animated fairy tales made by world famous American animation film maker Walt Disney from February 18 to 20 at the German Cultural Centre at Dhanmondi (Road No. 02). Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs will be screened on 18th February at 4:00 p.m. and Cinderella at 5:30 p.m. On 19th February, Sleeping Beauty at 4:00 p.m. and The Little Mermaid at 5:30 p.m. And on 20th February, Beauty and the Beast at 4:00 p.m. and Aladdin at 5:30 p.m. Children are allowed free access to all the shows.

Exhibition

Spaces & Places, the last exhibition of Chobi Mela, has opened at Drik Gallery (House# 58, Road# 15/A, Dhanmondi). The exhibition is characterized for its use of photographs in drawings while depicting a 360 degree space beyond vision centering around any point. British Artist Polly Hope uses photographs and other art forms of murals and architectural objects in her work.

TV GUIDE

PICK OF THE DAY



Mad Dog And Glory

on HBO tonight at 10

Robert De Niro plays a cowardly cop who inadvertently saves the life of a mob leader, Milo. Aggressively grateful, Milo offers Glory (Uma Thurman) as a "gift" for a week and the cop finds himself falling in love with the young woman.

Mad Dog And Glory stars Robert De Niro, Uma Thurman, Bill Murray and others.

EKUSHEY TV

- 6:30 Charidike 7:00 Kemon Achen: Presented by Ovaltin 7:30 Ekushey News 8:00 New English Serial: Amazon 9:00 Kashboner Kannya 10:00 MTV News 10:25 Music Hour 11:15 Ekushey Late Drama Series: Shodh Night News 11:30 Ea

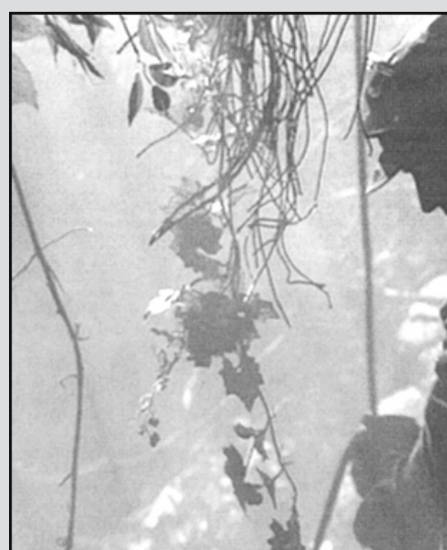


Walker Texas Ranger on Star World at 9p.m.

- 6:00 BBC News 6:30 World Business Report 7:00 BBC News 7:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report 8:00 BBC News 8:30 Asia Today/World Business Report 9:00 BBC News 9:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report 10:00 BBC News 10:30 Hardtalk 11:00 BBC News 11:30 Top Gear Waterworld 12:00 BBC News 12:30 Face to Face

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- 6:00 I Street Show 6:20 Ekatturer Dinguli 6:30 Face to Face 7:00 Flop Show 8:00 Din Protidin



English serial: Amazon on Ekushey television at 8p.m.

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CNN

- 4:00 CNN This Morning 4:30 Asia Business Morning 5:00 CNN This Morning 5:30 Asia Business Morning 6:00 CNN This Morning 6:15 Asia Business Morning 6:30 Asian Edition 6:45 Asia Business Morning 7:00 CNN This Morning 7:30 Moneyline 8:00 Larry King Live 9:00 World News 9:30 World Sport 10:00 World News 10:30 Showbiz Today 11:00 World News 11:30 Q&A (replay) 12:00 World News 12:30 World Report 1:00 World News 1:30 World Sport 2:00 World News 2:30 Insight 3:00 Larry King 4:00 World News 4:30 Biz Asia 5:00 Biz Asia 7:00 Q & A Asia 8:00 Asia Tonight 8:30 World Sport 9:00 World News 9:30 Ebizasia 10:00 World News 10:30 Biz

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

- 6:30 Animal Survivors 7:00 In Care of Nature 7:30 World News I & II 8:00 Without Warning I 8:30 Lonely Planet 1 9:30 Beyond 2000 10:00 The Quest 10:30 Go For It! 11:30 Intimate Escapes 12:30 Wild Discovery 1:30 Medical Detectives II 2:30 Health Showcase 3:30 Animal Survivors 4:00 In Care of Nature 4:30 Outer Bounds I & II 5:00 Without Warning I 5:30 Lonely Planet I 6:30 Going Wild With Jeff Corwin 7:00 So You Want To Be? 7:30

STAR GOLD

- 8:30 Bollywood News 9:00 Tum Hasen Main Jawan (Dharmendra, Hema Malini, Pran) 12:00 Geet Bahar 12:30 Ziddi (Joy Mukherjee, Asha Parekh) 3:30 Bollywood News 4:00 Meraa Shohaag (Rati Agnihotri, Deepthi Naval) 7:00 Geet Bahar 7:30 Lamhe Pyaar Ke Ghunghat (Prodip Kumar, Asha Parekh) 10:30 Bollywood News 11:00 Abe Hayat (Premnath, Shashikala) 12:30 Abe Hayat (contd) 2:00 Geet Bahar 2:30 Meraa Shohaag (Rati Agnihotri, Deepthi Naval) 5:30 Abe Hayat (Premnath, Shashikala)

Marital Law on Star World at 10p.m.

STAR PLUS

- 6:00 Tu Tu Main Main 6:30 STAR Geetmala 7:30 Hit Ya Fit 8:00 Cine Jharokha 8:30 Good Morning India 9:30 Star Morning Show: Vardan 12:30 Hit Ya Fit 1:00 TSN 1:30 Small Wonder 2:00 Meri Saheli 2:30 Saans 3:00 Shagun 3:30 Kinetic Mega Show/Family Fortunes 4:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 4:30 Cine Jharokha 5:00 Hit Ya Fit 5:30 Kuccha Papad Pucca Papad 6:00 Small Wonder 6:30 Fox Kids 7:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki 8:00 Tu Tu Main Main 8:30 Ma Shakti 9:30 Kaun Banega Crorepati 10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki 11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 11:30 Aaj Ki Baat 12:00 Shagun 12:30 Talebrands 1:00 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Ki 1:30 Star Movie Show: Vardan 4:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 5:00 Saans 5:30 Meri Saheli

STAR MOVIES

- 7:00 Comedy: Mafia 7:00 Action: East La Warriors 11:00 Action: A Midsummer Night's Dream 1:00 Drama: Sex and Mrs X 2:30 Thriller: Rage: Carrie 2 4:15 Drama: The Horse Whisperer 7:00 Oscar Fever: What Dreams May Come 9:00 Comedy: Another Stakeout 11:00 Comedy: Mafia 1:00 Drama: The Gritters 3:00 Comedy: There's Fugitives 5:00 Action: Private Wars

Kemon Achen on Ekushey television at 7p.m.

STAR WORLD

- 7:00 Walker Texas Ranger 8:00 Martial Law 9:00 Friends 9:30 Star News 10:00 World's Wildest Police 11:00 Walker Texas Ranger 12:00 Martial Law 1:00 World's Wildest Police 2:00 Walker Texas Ranger 3:00 Creffo Dollar Daily 3:30 Kenneth Copeland 4:00 Life In The World With 4:30 World News 5:00 Grace Under Fire 5:30 Mork & Mindy 6:00 Murder Call 7:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 8:00 Home Improvement 8:30 Happy Days 9:00 Walker Texas Ranger 10:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 World's Wildest Police 1:00 Grace Under Fire 1:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 2:00 Mork &

CARTOON NETWORK

- 6:30 The Road Runner Show 7:00 The Smurfs 7:30 The Popeye Show 8:00 Dexter's Laboratory 8:30 Courage the Cowardly Dog 9:00 The Powerpuff Girls 9:30 Batman The Animated Series 10:00 Sylvester & Tweety Mysteries 10:30 Garfield and Friends 11:00 Tiny Toon Adventures 11:30 Tom & Jerry Kids 12:00 The Little Lulu Show 2 12:30 Scooby Doo where Are You? 1:00 The Smurfs 1:30 The Road Runner Show 2:00 Tiny Toon Adventures 2:30 Ninja Robots 3:00 The Little Lulu Show 2

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